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INDIAN BANKS.					
Bank of Bombay	200	500	all	10 p. c. } 1 bon. }	1,2[illegible]
Bank of Bengal	200	500	all	10 pr. ct.	1,150
Bank of Madras	200	500	all	10 pr. ct.	1,100
Commercial & Ld. Mge.	200 / 200	100	100 / 75	10 p.c.	120
EXCHANGE BANKS.					
Agra	500	25	all	3 pr. ct.	30
Charter Bank	4,000	250	250	9 pr. ct.	2[illegible]
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation	1,000	5[illegible]	all	5[illegible]	
National Bank of India	5,000	250	12½	7 pr. ct.	300
				Yearly	
RUSSE COMPANIES.					
Akbar	200	1,250	1,250	75	11[illegible]
Albert Ginning Co.	100	500	all	15 pr. ct.	45
Albert (Kurnbee)	200	1,100	1,100	Rs 80	1,925
Bellary	167	1,000	1,000	dvd 16 x	200
Bhowanipore City Press & Mnfg. Co. Ld	550	250	250	2[illegible]	275
Bombay Cotton	1,000	125	125	dv Rs12½	125
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Coach (Oil) Press Co. Ld	500	200	200	dvd Rs25	210
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[illegible]	[illegible]	1,000	1,000	100	1,150

BOMBAY.

TO-DAY.

Sun rises, 5h. 24m. Sun sets, 6h. 29m. High water, 0-5m., 11-50a. Low water, 5-4m., 5-50a.
Royal Bombay Yacht Club races.
Vasco da Gama celebration, Caledonia Club, 9 p.m.
Tivoli Theatre, Madame Doneille's Company, 9-15 p.m.

TO-MORROW.

Sun rises, 5h. 24m. Sun sets, 6h. 29m. High water, 0-43a. Low water, 5-33m., 6-21a.

POSTAL NOTICE.—Mails for Singapore, China, and Japan, per EXES s. s. Lotumbro, will be closed at the General Post Office, at 5 p.m., to-day.

PARSEE CYCLING CLUB.—Members meet at Sir R. Temple's Statue at 6 o'clock, this evening, for a local run. To-morrow, members meet at the same place, at 5-45 a.m., and at Horaby Villard, at 6-15, for a run to Sion and back.

FEAST AT SION.—The annual titular feast of Our Lady of Good Counsel will be celebrated at the Sion Chapel to-morrow (Sunday). There will be two low masses at 7 and 9 a.m., and the High Mass at 10 o'clock. The Choir of St. Michael's Church will be in attendance, under the direction of Mr. John D'Mello.

BURGLARY AT DE SOUZA STREET.—Premji Narayen, a dealer in gunny bags, residing at De Souza Street, and keeping his place of business at Memonwada Road, has reported to the police that since the death of his wife, which occurred about fifteen days ago, he had been more or less residing in his shop, having visited his place only on two or three occasions. On the morning of the 18th instant, he had occasion to go to his room to get some sugar, when he found the

ALLEGED ATTEMPT AT EXTORTION BY CLIVE DURANT.

A REMARKABLE CASE.

AT the Esplanade Police Court, yesterday, Mr. D. D. Davar, barrister-at-law, with Mr. Owen, solicitor, appeared before Mr. J. Sanders-Slater, Chief Presidency Magistrate, and inquired if any order had been made by the court in regard to the information filed by Clive Durant and Cooverji Merwanji Mehta last week against the agents and directors of the Oriental Spinning and Weaving Company, Limited.

The magistrate said that the order of the court in the matter was that the allegations of fraud and criminal breach of trust made by the applicants were of a too vague and uncertain nature to justify his issuing any process against the directors. He further remarked that it appeared to him that if there were any liability in the matter it was of a civil nature, and his Worship would refer the applicants to the civil court.

Mr. Davar then handed in an information on behalf of his client, Mr. Jijibhoy Framji Petit, agent and director of the company, charging Clive Durant, Cooverji Merwanji Mehta, Dhunjibhoy Dadabhoy Dadysech, Sorabji Rustomji Batliwala, and another with putting him in fear of injury and of accusation of offence in order to commit extortion, and applied for warrants against them. Mr. Davar said that the accused had conspired together to extort Rs. 50,000 from Mr. Jijibhoy Petit and that he had documentary evidence to prove that,

The magistrate granted the application.

In the afternoon, Mr. Houghton, solicitor, surrender-

NEWS OF THE DAY.

SEVENTY-FIVE villagers concerned in the recent plague riot at Bhatgal in the Punjab have been sent to prison.

WE regret to announce that Colonel Pollard, Commandant of the 20th Madras Infantry, died at Kohat of dysentery on Wednesday.

THE weather in the Western Himalaya region still continues exceptionally cold for May. Rain fell in Simla on Wednesday afternoon.

CAPTAIN LIDDELL, Lieutenant Charteris and Second Lieutenant Mathews, Royal Engineers, have been placed at the disposal of the Bengal Government for employment on works connected with the plague.

VESSELS from Calcutta with a clean bill of health will be allowed to unload at Madras, but the crew will on no account be permitted to enter the town, and every dock coolie engaged in unloading will be disinfected every night before leaving work.

THE Government of India are to be congratulated on the fact that the annual relief of the Chitral garrison has been carried out without tribal disturbance. The troops relieved, it is true, have not yet reached Chakdarah, but there is not a sign of unrest on the road.

THE Ordnance authorities at Rawalpindi will shortly send in a final report regarding the arms captured or surrendered during the recent operations on the North-

THE CITY MORTALITY.

THE Municipal Office returns for the twenty-four hours ending 6 a.m., yesterday, give the following results :—

	Wards.	No. of Attacks.	No. of Deaths from Bubonic Plague.	Total Deaths from all Causes.
A	Upper Colaba	0	0	2
	Mid. & Lower Colaba	1	1	
	Fort, Southern	0	0	
	Fort, Northern	0	0	
	Esplanade	0	0	
B	Mandvie	2	0	7
	Chuckla	0	1	
	Umarkhady	1	0	
	Dongri	0	0	
C	Market	0	0	13
	Dhobi Talao	1	0	
	Panaswady	0	0	
	Bhuleshwar	2	0	
	Khara Talao	0	0	
	Kumbarwada	1	0	
D	Khetwady	1	1	7
	Girgaum	0	0	
	Chowpatty	0	0	
	Walkeshwar	0	0	
	Mahaluxmi	2	0	
E	Matagon	2	0	21
	Parwady	0	0	
	Second Nagpada	0	0	
	Kamatipura	0	0	

DIVINE SERVICE.

SUNDAY AFTER ASCENSION DAY, MAY 22.

SAINT THOMAS' CATHEDRAL.

7-30 a.m.—Matins.
8 a.m.—Holy Communion (Choral)—Missa Celestis. Hymns Introit No. 2, 147, 184 and 301.
6 p.m.—Evensong and Sermon—Hymns 300, 130 and 301. Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis.—Simper in F.
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6 p.m.—Evensong and Sermon.

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST.

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7 a.m.—Matins (Parade Service).
8 a.m.—Holy Communion—Hymns 208, 323 and 183.
6 p.m.—Evensong and Sermon.—Hymns 264, 301 and 363.
5 p.m.—Sunday School.

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THE TIRAH CAMPAIGN.

LETTER FROM MR. WINSTON CHURCHILL.

MR. WINSTON CHURCHILL, 4th Hussars, has sent the following letter to a friend in England :—

Mamani Camp, Bara Valley, March 30, 1898.

Dear ——.—You have, no doubt, realised the peculiar conditions under which this campaign has been fought. The soldiers have been exposed to great hardships; their leaders were confronted with extreme difficulties. To the bullets of an active and enterprising enemy have been added the comments of no less active and enterprising friends. The most considerable military operations on which we have been embarked since 1882 have been watched by the widest and most powerful Press the world has yet seen. A vast reading public has been provided with a continual stream of statements and remarks, and as a result a series of attacks of extraordinary rigour and virulence has been directed against the soldiers, the officers, and the administrators of these provinces of the Empire.

The attacks which have now become usual throughout the Press have been couched in weighty, facetious, or violent terms, according to the style and status of the various journals. Many of these, actuated by public spirit, undoubtedly think that they are expressing the general consensus of loyal military opinion and are doing good service to the State. There are others to which it would be difficult to impute any serious motive. I do not desire to animadvert on either class. The Press reflects public opinion even more than it influences it. It is to the spirit which has provided the newspapers with materials for these attacks, and to the mood which has hailed them with acclamation, that I would draw attention.

I cannot help regarding India, ruled and administered by a few thousand Europeans, as an exceeds-

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COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE

BOMBAY MARKET REPORT.

FRIDAY EVENING, MAY 20.

WITH the falling off in the enquiry from exporters for Cotton, as well as for Wheat and Seeds, which has been noticeable during the past week, the business passing has been only a small one. For the former staple, prices have given way for some descriptions to the extent of Re. 1 to Rs. 2 per candy; and for Wheat and Seeds they have also materially declined. In Exchange, quotations have shown but little fluctuation, having been generally firm. Bank Paper closes this evening at last Friday's rate, as also does Private. Money continues to be exceedingly scarce.

Government Paper opened with a weak feeling at the beginning of the week, but improved afterwards, while this evening rates are firm at an advance on last mail day's of 3-16 per cent. for 3 1-2 per Cents, but at a decline in 3 per Cents of 1 per cent. Freights have been a dull market. Imports are in somewhat less request, there having been a smaller business reported.

MONEY.—The heavy withdrawals from Public Deposits, amounting at the Head Office to 4¾ lakhs, and to ¼ lakh at the Branches; and from Public Deposits to the extent of 8 1-4 lakhs, made a reduction in the Cash Balance of the Bank of Bombay of some 26 1-4 lakhs, at 103 3-4 lakhs (as disclosed by the weekly return issued on Monday), compared with a decrease in the previous week of 4 3-4 lakhs, at some 130 lakhs. Bills Discounted and Purchased were 4 3-4 lakhs less; while to Loans there was an addition of 18 lakhs; and Rupee Securities were 1-4 lakh more.

Meanwhile money is still very scarce. The Bank of Bombay rate as well as the rate in the open market are both 12 per cent.

EXCHANGE.—At opening last mail day there was a firm feeling in the market with ls. 4 1-32d. quoted for Bank Telegraphic and Demand, and ls. 4 9-32d. for three months' sight Credits. The enquiry for Bank Paper was limited; a small amount of Merchants' Bills were reported sold. On Monday rates opened at ls. 4 1-16d. for Bank Telegraphic and Demand, and ls. 4 5-16d. for three months' sight Credits. A moderate amount of Merchants' Paper was offering, but the Banks were asking full rates, and business was done to a fair extent at the opening quotation. The market continued firm on Tuesday at ls. 4 1-16d. for Bank Telegraphic, ls. 4 3-32d. for Demand, and ls. 4 11-32d. for three months' sight Credits. Merchants' Bills were scarce; the Banks were sellers of Wire at ls. 4 3-32d. for Telegraphic, and ls. 4 1-8d. for Demand, at which rates business was done to a moderate extent. Steady in tone on Wednesday, quotations opened at ls. 4 1-16d. for Bank Telegraphic and Demand, and ls. 4 5-16d. for three months' sight Credits. The enquiry for Bank Paper was limited, and Merchants' Bills were very scarce. The market was quiet yesterday at ls. 4 1-16d. for Bank Telegraphic and Demand, and ls. 4 5-16d. for three months' sight Credits. The latter rate soon became ls. 4 9-32d., and a fair amount was reported done thereat. Bank Paper also receded 1-32d. to ls. 4 1-32d., at which, however, there was no enquiry. To-day rates have been steady at ls. 4 1-32, to 1-16d. for Bank Telegraphic and Demand, and ls. 4 9-32d., for three months' sight Credits, at which a little was reported. Bank Wire was taken to a moderate extent, but later in the day 1-32d. more became he best available, and the market at closing was steady as follows:—

Bank Bills on Demand	ls. 4 1-32d.	per rupee.
" Telegraphic	ls. 4 1-32d.	"
Credits 3 months' sight	ls. 4 9-32d.	"
Francs	172	"

GOVERNMENT PAPER.—For 3 1-2 per Cents, the opening quotations last mail-day were 93 3-4 for Money, and 94 for Account; 3 per Cents were quoted at 87. The market was quiet in tone on Monday with 93 5-8 named for the Settlement, for 3 1-2 per Cents, and 87, nominal, for Threes. Rates were firm on Tuesday at 93 5-16 for Cash, for 3 1-2 per Cents, and 93 11-16 for the Settlement, with 87, nominal, for 3 per Cents. The following day quotations were given at 93 15-16 for Account, for 3 1-2 per Cents, and 86 for Threes. There was a firm feeling in the market yesterday, when 93 13-16 was the quotation for Money, for 3 1-2 per Cents 94 3-16 for Account, and 87 for Threes. To-day, there has been a decline in rates to 93 7-8 for Account, for 3 1-2 per Cents, and 86, nominal, for Threes.

SHARES have been quite neglected, and prices consequently show but little change from last week's level. We have to report an advance of Rs. 15 in Manockjee Petit Mills; a decline of Rs. 30 in Colaba Land and Mill; of Rs. 5 in Swadeshi, and of Rs. 1-2 each in Jamshed Manufacturing and Lakhmidas. In miscellaneous shares, Port Canning is Re. 1-2 lower, and Telephone Co. have declined to a like extent. Bank of Bombay are Rs. 6 1-4 less.

IMPORTS.

PIECE-GOODS.—Light weights of "Grey Goods a continue in good demand, but heavy weights are comparatively in little request. Dealers are eager to dispose of their holdings, but they do not make any reduction in prices to attract buyers. Up-country buyers are reported to be making moderate purchases at current rates. "of bleached goods," low makes of "Mulls," "Nainsooks," and "Jacconets" are sought after, full prices being given. In "Dyed," "Turkey-Red," and "Printed Goods" a small business has been done, and rates are largely maintained. "Locally-made Goods are in good demand. The clearances of "Imported Goods" from the bazaar during the week have been 3,300 packages; and of "local" some 1,500 bales.

YARNS.—Although prices rule at a very low level they are reported to fail in attracting the amount of business warranted by such favourable rates, the dulness in the market being caused by the low rate of Exchange with China. Official quotations are given as follows in a quiet to dull market:—

Twist	No.	Mule, As.	to	4 3-8 per lb.
"	10s	"	3 7-8	" 4 1-2 "
"	12s	"	4	" 4 3-4 "
"	16s	"	4 1-8	" 4 3-4 "
"	20s	"	4 3-8	" 5 3-8 "
"	24s	"	4 7-8	" 5 5-8 "
"	30s	"	6 3-4	" 6 3-8 "
"	32s	"	7 1-2	" 8 "
"	40s	"	7 1-4	" 8 "

METALS.—"Braziers' Copper" is unchanged in price; but "Yellow Metal" is 4 ans. per cwt. cheaper, and "Swedish Bar Iron," 8 ans. per candy dearer.

COALS.—There have been sales during the week of "Davison's W. Hartley," May-June shipment, at Rs. 17 1-2 per ton; of "Watson's Hartley," May shipment, at Rs. 17 per ton; and of Wilson's S. Yorkshire, for May, at Rs. 18 3-4. Some "Seabpore Bengal," per steamer shortly to arrive, has changed hands at Rs. 15 3-4 to Rs. 16 per ton; and "Singarani" has found buyers at Rs. 15 for May loading, and for June loading at Rs. 14 3-4 per ton, ex Railway waggons. The market closes firm and advancing; we quote alongside:—

	Ready.	Forward.
Welsh Hartley	Nil.	Nil.
West "	Rs. 20 per ton.	Rs. 17 1-2per ton.
Australian	Nil.	Nil.
Pewell's	Rs. 23 per ton.	(on bunder) Nil.
Cardiff	23 "	" Nil.
Japan	Nil.	" Nil.
Bengal	16	" 16 "
Singareni	15	" 14 1-2 "
Seebpore	16	" 16 "
Sanctoria	Nil.	Nil. "
Deshagur	16 1-2	" 16 "

EXPORTS.

COTTON.—During the past week a moderate business has been done in this staple, for which the enquiry has slightly fallen off. Prices declined early in the week to the extent of Re. 1 to Rs. 2 per candy, and close this evening at the lower level. To-day the market has been quiet, and prices show no improvement.

The arrivals of New Crop Cotton into Bombay during the week have been 77,500 bales, compared with 47,000 bales last week, and 64,000 bales in the corresponding week last year. The arrivals to date now are 1,296,500 bales.

The following are to-day's quotations for full-pressed Cotton with the equivalents in sterling, cost, and freight to Liverpool via Canal without Commission, viz:—

	Per Candy	Per lb. C. & F.
Bengal, Fine	Rs.	146—3 9-16.
Do. Fully Good	"	139—3 3-32d.
Do. Good	"	135—3 1-32d.
Behares, Fine	"	149—3 1-4d.
Do. Fully Good	"	141—3 3-32d.
Khandesh, Fully Good	"	145—3 3 16d.
Oomra, Fully Good	"	153—3 5-16d.
Dholleras, Fine	"	160—3 13-32d.
Do. Fully Good	"	150—3 1-4d.
Do. Good	"	
Do. Do. May 15-21	"	149—3 1-4d.
S. D. Dharwar, Good	"	152—3 7-16d.
Western	"	152—3 7-16d.
Broach, Fine	"	170—3 9-16d.
Do. Good	"	165—3 1-32d.

The Arrivals of New Crop Cotton into Bombay this season, as compared with last, are as follows:—

	Season, 1897-98. F. P. Bales.	Season, 1896-97. F. P. Bales.
Bengals	179,500	298,500
Berar	382,500	284,500
Khandesh	304,000	393,500
Barsee and Nuggur	281,000	90,500
Hingunghat	9,000	10,000
Persian and Sind	14,000	18,000
Broach	138,000	130,000
Dholleras	163,000	170,500
Comp'as and Dharwar	24,000	40,500
Westerns	1,500	3,500
	1,295,500	1,244,500

The movements of Cotton to date show the following comparis on with the previous two years:—

Receipts.	1898. Bales.	1897. Bales.	1896. Bales.
For the week	15,035	67,026	55,824
From 1st Jan. to 19th May	1,180,988	1,012,215	1,375,695
Clearances to Great Britain, and Continent.			
For the week	270,01	11,795	24,657
From 1st Jan. to 19th May	266,781	288,292	344,196
Clearances to China, Japan, Manritius, &c.			
For the week	40,992	16,540	1,320
From 1st Jan. to 19th May	191,818	333,511	180,259

WHEAT AND SEEDS.—The business done has been a small one and prices have given way to some extent. Exporters have been backward in operating, though there has been a little enquiry on their account for ready shipment of "Wheat," and also of "Poppy-seed."

The comparative Imports of Wheat and Seeds are as follows:—

	1898. Cwts.	1897. Cwts.	1896. Cwts.
Wheat for the week	615,945	35,469	218,638
Do. from 1st January to 19th May	2,803,112	483,670	2,369,097
Linseed for the week	57,548	34,939	137,372
Do. from 1st January to 19th May	663,641	201,720	2,568,030
Rapeseed for the week	77,333	87,305	50,660
Do. from 1st January to 19th May	774,333	546,120	507,414
Gingellyseed for the week	12,774	10,175	3,200
Do. from 1st January to 19th May	713,020	382,782	807,660

The Clearances of Wheat and Seeds to Great Britain and Continent are as follows:—

	1898. Cwts.	1897. Cwts.	1896. Cwts.
Wheat for the week	594,433	...	151,993
Do. from 1st January to 19th May	1,989,990	811	619,457
Linseed for the week	210,614	12,951	299,837
Do. from 1st January to 19th May	1,214,651	196,294	1,949,637
Rapeseed for the week	115,873	64,733	57,899
Do. from 1st January to 19th May	846,238	319331	474,831
Gingellyseed for the week	100,451	33,555	39,933
Do. from 1st January to 19th May	1,174,932	337,382	939,303

(REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.)

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL NEWS.

LONDON, MAY 19.

The Liverpool Cotton Market is firm. Surats dull.

The Manchester market has been steady.

Good Brownuggar 3
3½ per cent. Consols 110 3-4
Bar Silver 29 7-16
3½ per cent. Sterling Loan 113
3½ per cent. Rupee Paper 62
Exchange on India 90 days' ..... ls. 3 9-16d.

Amount paid into the Bank of England about £175,000.

The Bank of England Returns for the week ending yesterday, show the following rise results:—Total Bullion, £30,100,000; Increase, £1,500,000; Public Deposits, £11,930,000; Increase, £500,000; Other Deposits, £43,100,000; Decrease, £1,400,000; Other Securities, £34,900,000; Decrease, £1,500,000; Notes and Gold, £25,400,000; Increase, £1,600,000. The Bank's Reserve is 40 per cent. of the liabilities.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

SUEZ, MAY 19.

The Clan Line steamer Clan Chisholm arrived here from Calcutta, Madras, and Colombo, this afternoon

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

THE s s Beechdene, 1,535 tons, Captain S Sandal, sailed yesterday for Naples and Genoa, with a general cargo.

THE s s Iran, 4,066 tons, Captain T Hughes, arrived in harbour yesterday from Antwerp (24th April) in ballast. The vessel is consigned to Messrs. Killick, Nixon and Co.

THE s s Ks. Tempfar, 2,704 tons, Captain W W Pain, arrived in harbour yesterday, from Akyab (19th April) with a general cargo and 5 deck passengers.

THE Anchor Line s s Hispania, 2,213 tons, Captain S Abrey, will sail to-day for Marseilles, Liverpool and Glasgow, with a general cargo and the following passengers:—Captain and Mrs Nelson, Major and Mrs Curran, Capt Burt, and Lieut Fisher.

THE s s Alboin, 640 tons, Captain J K Webster, arrived in harbour yesterday from Bangkok (25th April) with a cargo of timber. She experienced during the voyage strong monsoon a cross Bay of Bengal from Ceylon to Bombay light northerly winds.

THE s s Plympton, 1,850 tons, Captain W R Page, arrived in harbour yesterday, from Hamburg (7th April) via Byth, with a cargo of 3,634 tons of coal. The vessel is consigned to Messrs. Killick Nixon and Co. During the voyage she experienced near Socotra light S W Wind and moderate swell, but no rain clouds visible.

THE BISN Co's s s Dwarka, 759 tons, Captain J C Tice, sailed yesday for Karachi, with a general cargo, and the following passengers:—Captain J G Mathias, Hospital Assist Cengoo Rajanun, and Shaikan Samsool, Assist Surgeon J S Shamain, Mr. G F Adem, Mr and Mrs Bhawal, Mrs Hanaghain, and infant, and 65 deck.

ARRIVALS.

May.	Vessel.	Commander.	From.
20	Caledonia s	Gordon	London, April 28
	Iran s	Hughes	Antwerp, April 24
	Plympton s	Page	Hamburg, April 7
	Ks Tempfar s	Pain	Akyab, April 19
	Alboin s	Webster	Bangkok, April 25
	Inglewood ep		New York, Jan 7

DEPARTURES.

May.	Vessel.	Commander.	Destination.
20	Eden Hall s	Hann	Marseilles
	Beechdene s	Sandal	Naples and Genoa
	Dwarka s	Tice	Karachi

The steamer Hispania, Captain Abrey, obtained her port-clearance yesterday for Liverpool, &c.

The steamer Wisman, entered for loading yesterday for Zanzibar, &c.

DAILY IMPORTS.—MAY 20.

FROM LIVERPOOL.

Eden Hall s—5 cases chemicals H N Mehta, 5 cases soap Allybhoy Samsoodin.

FROM GLASGOW.

Hispania s—45 cases whisky Cutler Palmer and Co, 246 cases whisky D Dadabhoy, 81 cases whisky Edulji Bezonjee, 200 cases whisky O H B Forbes and Co, 25 cases whisky Jamsetjee Framjee, 25 cases confectionery H Tejabhoy.

FROM LONDON.

Arabia s—2 cases stationery Nensvally and Cumroodin, 14 cases medicine Esoofally Rassooljee, 1 hogshead brandy and 1 hogshead rum Turner and Co, 4 cases stationery S Allibhoy, 10 cases tobacco manufactured E Rassooljee, 1 cask rum Dhunjeebhoy Cowasjee.

FROM HAMBURG.

Gutenfels s—3 casks rectified spirit M P Baria.

Johannisberger s—10 cases perfumed spirit K Adhowjee and Co.

Radelsburg s—8 cases glassware, etc. Sallay M Cassum.

Rudesheimer s—30 drums rectified spirit H Mooljee and Co.

FROM HONGKONG.

D Balduino s—20 cases brandy Edulji Bezonjee.

FROM GRANENTE.

Arabia s—45 cases brandy Dhunjeebhoy Cowasjee.

FROM TRIESTE.

Viudobona s—13 cases writing paper Framjee Ardesir Davar and Sons, 50 cases paper D R Umrigar and Co, 22 cases glass beads, etc. D Mody and Co.

DAILY EXPORTS.—MAY 20.

FOR LIVERPOOL

Robert Harrowing s—63 tons linseed oil cakes The New Mofussil Steam Navigation Co.

Eden Hall s—325 bales wool Nassurbhoy Cassoonbhoy and Co, 125 bales wool J Khessey and Co, 175 bales wool Daunder Khimjee, 1,000 ors wheat David Sassoon and Co, 18000 cwt wheat E D Sassoon and Co, 50 bales wool C Nanjee.

FOR LONDON.

Arabia s—4 cwt ivory, 9 cwt meerschoth and 227 lbs tortoise shells Ebram Pasola and Co.

FOR ANTWERP.

Kt Errant s—640 cwt linseed Volkart Brothers, 1014 cwt rapeseed Owen and Cozell, 2000 cwt rapeseed Glade and Co, 370 cwt poppyseed Finlay Muir and Co, 1144 cwt rapeseed, 873 cwt poppyseed and 660 cwt gingellyseed Volkart Brothers, 1620 cwt rapeseed E D Sassoon and Co.

FOR HAMBURG.

Golden Cross—2240 cwt wheat Halli Brothers.

Iran s—4500 cwt wheat A Blaschook and Co, 4500 cwt wheat Halli Brothers, 9000 cwt wheat, 4428 cwt rapeseed, 8000 cwt linseed, and 350 cwt castorseed Volkart Brothers.

Kt Bachelor s—10311 cwt linseed, 2001 cwt rapeseed and 64500 cwt wheat E D Sassoon and Co, 20000 cwt wheat David Sassoon and Co, 12000 cwt wheat Dharseo Nanjee and Co, 962 cwt buffalo horns Prior de Sacoe and Co, 30000 cwt wheat Killick Nixon and Co.

FOR MARSEILLES.

Hispania s—6117 cwt. locksoft Halli Brothers.

Brocksida s—3000 cwt wheat Finlay Muir and Co.

FOR GENOA

Beechdene s—4626 cwt gingellyseed Volkart Brothers.

FOR VENICE.

Imperatrix s—2000 cwt castorseed Volkart Brothers, 2000 bales cotton Glade and Co.

FOR TRIESTE.

Imperatrix s—1440 bales cotton A Blaschook and Co, 770 bales cotton Halli Brothers, 245 bales cotton Gaddum and Co, 1000 bales cotton Glade and Co.

FOR FIUME.

Imperatrix s—27 bales cotton Glade and Co.

FOR HONGKONG.

Letimbro s—18 cwt kadoo, 6 cwt jardaloo and 10 cwt sulphate of copper Quan Lun Kooo, 51 cwt olibanum, 15 cwt ginger and 5 bales mats M M Esabhai, 200 bales twist Framjee Sons and Co, 71 bales cotton H A Esmail and Co.

Peshawar s—237 bales twist Fleming Shaw and Co, 230 bales twist P F Talati, 42 cwt sharkfins R Esmail, 500 bales twist S N Talati and Co. 195 bales twist David Sassoon and Co.

Kagoshima Maru s—753 bales cotton Tata and Co.

FOR SHANGHAI.

Letimbro s—200 bales twist Tata and Co.

Vindobona s—1 cases indigo 1 bale twist K A Rahim.

Veroha s—100 bales twist H Soraljee, 600 bales cotton Tata and Co, 20 bales twist Framjee Sons and Co, 300 bales twist A C A Tayeb, 200 bales twist David Sassoon and Co, 200 bales twist T Mooljee Co and 175 bales twist S N Talati and Co.

FOR KOBE.

Kagoshima Maru s—365 bales cotton Sassoon J David and Co, 100 bales cotton Lallaain Abeerombie and Co.

Mazagon s—389 bales cotton S N Talati and Co, 500 bales cotton E D Sassoon and Co, 227 bales cotton Gaddum and Co, 225 bales cotton Volkart Brothers, 150 bales cotton Halli Brothers.

FOR NAGASAKI.

Mazagon s—125 bales cotton Halli Brothers.

FOR YOKOHAMA

Mazagon s—100 bales cotton Lallaama Abercrombie and Co.

THE BOMBAY GAZETTE OVERLAND SUMMARY.

(Compiled for despatch by the Weekly Mail to Europe.)

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MR. GLADSTONE'S DEATH : A PUBLIC FUNERAL IN WESTMINSTER ABBEY.

LONDON, MAY 20.

The direct cause of Mr. Gladstone's death was decay of nature hastened by the pain of a local facial disorder.

The mourning and regret for the demise of the aged statesman are universal, and all the newspapers to-day are issued with black borders.

The House of Commons adjourned its sitting to-day as a mark of respect to the memory of the deceased. Mr. Balfour giving notice that he would propose to-morrow that a public funeral in Westminster Abbey should be accorded the deceased statesman and a monument therein erected to his memory.

Telegrams of condolence are reaching Hawarden from every part of the world.

Her Majesty the Queen has sent a special messenger with a letter of condolence.

TENDERS FOR INDIA BILLS.

It is announced that tenders will be received up to the 27th May for India Bills to the extent of two and a-half millions sterling, for the purpose of discharging the Bills payable on 3rd June next.

THE INDIAN CURRENCY COMMITTEE.

MEMORIAL TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE.

A memorial signed by the most influential bankers and merchants of the city has been presented to Lord George Hamilton, expressing the great and general dissatisfaction which exists in connection with the composition of the Indian Currency Committee, and urging the danger of the adoption of a policy sanctioning the raising of sterling loans to an indefinite amount.

Replying to the memorial, Lord George Hamilton says he cannot alter the Committee, which has been carefully selected and is fully qualified to deal with the questions to be submitted to them, while con-

BIRTHDAY HONOURS.

(FROM OUR [illegible] CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, MAY 20.

The Honours Gazette gives the following appointments :—

ORDER OF THE STAR OF INDIA.

To be Knight Grand Cross of the Star of India.—The Maharajah of Patiala.

To be K. C. S. I.—Mr. W. Lee-Warner ; and Mr. T. J. Chichele Plowden.

To be Commanders of the Star of India :—Mr. T. Stoker ; Colonel M. C. Brackenbury ; E. R. Henry ; L. W. King ; and Khan Bahadur Yar Muhammad Khan.

ORDER OF THE INDIAN EMPIRE.

To be K. C. I. E.—His Highness Aga Khan ; Head of the Khoja community ; and Colonel R. Warburton, late Political Officer in the Khyber.

To be C. I. E.—The Hon. Mr. A. Pennycuick ; Mr. P. C. H. Snow ; Brigade-Surgeon Lieutennat-Colonel A. M. Branfoot ; Mr. E. F. Jacob ; Major R. J. Scallon ; Lieutenant Kunwar ; Mr. Baikram Singh ; Lieutenant A. B. Minchin ; Mr. W. T. Vansomeren ; Mr. C. Still ; and Mr. Tahilram Khemchand.

Of the remaining Honours the following are of interest in the Bombay Presidency :—

Volunteer Officers' Decoration upon Major H. S. Nicholetts, of Berar Volunteer Rifles.

NATIVE DISTINCTIONS.

Two guns additional to the salute of the Raja of of Nahha.

The title of Shams-ul-Ulama upon Muhammad Amir.

The title of Khan Bahadur upon Khan Saheb Ratanji Rustomji Dadina, Assistant Surgeon, Bombay ; Pestonji Sorabji Bhujwala, of Cutch ; Framroz Ardesir Moos, Assistant Surgeon Bombay; Rasulbaksh Shir Mahomed Muktyarkas, of Shikarpur ; and Daudbhai Ibrahim, of Surat.

The title of Rao Bahadur upon Madhavrao Baji, of Baroda ; Dulabji D. Ved, of Palanpur ; Rao Sahib Vithalrao Krishnaji Vandekar, of Bombay ; Rao Sahib Ellapa Balaram, of Bombay ; Gulabdass Purshotamdass, of Surat ; Shuntaram Vinayak Kantak, of Bombay ; Baburao Bhalchandra Onkar, of Poona ;

ENGLISH POLITICAL AND SOCIAL LETTER.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, MAY 6.

THE HISPANO-AMERICAN WAR.

The disgust created in this country by the absurd inventions and ridiculous exaggerations of the American accounts of the war has been almost forgotten in the interest aroused by the great naval battle that took place last Sunday at Manila. We are yet without any news from the American side, but although anxiety is beginning to be felt in the United States as well as by its friends in this country, there does not seem to be any real ground for alarm. The Manila cable is cut ; the nearest port, Hongkong, is a long way off ; and Commodore Dewey even if he has had time to sit down and write war despatches to his Government may probably not have been able to spare a vessel to carry the news to Hongkong. Such details as we have received have almost all come from Spanish sources. The particulars of the fight so far as they are known, while they have excited our admiration for Spanish coiurage, have not increased our admiration for them as organisers of warfare. The effect of the American victory has been to strengthen the sympathy felt in this country for the United States and to encourage the hope that one outcome of the present complications will be to bring the two branches of the Anglo-Saxon race into closer relations.

THE HOUSE OF COMMONS AND THE CHINA IMBROGLIO.

When the last mail left London the House of Commons was filled with eager members and equally eager visitors listening to the attack on and defence of what may be called the first Act in the Chinese drama. The debate had been postponed once or twice on account of the somewhat mysterious illness of Mr. Curzon. Had the, Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs been in his place the discussion would have covered the entire field of the Government's Foreign policy. It was only fair to Mr. Balfour that the indictment against the Minister should be restricted to the matters of which the acting head of the Foreign department had personal knowledge. Sir William Harcourt's speech did not meet with the entire approval of some of his opponents, but their objection to it whether avowed or not was that it did not put the points against the Government with sufficient force and skill. Mr. Balfour's reply was ingenious but feeble. He began by making what was generally considered a characteristically fine distinction between "spheres of interest" and "spheres of influence," a *propos* of the famous "spontaneous" communication to Germany respecting the province of Shan-tung. Though denying that

supposed that any one nation of the living nations will be allowed to have the profitable monopoly of curing or cutting up those unfortunate patients, and the controversy is as to who shall have the privilege of doing so, and in what measure he shall do it. These things may introduce causes of fatal difference between the great nations whose mighty armies stand opposite threatening each other. These are the dangers, I think, which threaten us in the period that is coming on. It is a period which will tax our resolution, our tenacity, and Imperial instincts to the utmost. Undoubtedly we shall not allow England to be at a disadvantage in any re-arrangement that may take place."

MURMURINGS IN THE MINISTERIAL CAMP.

If Mr. Balfour and Lord Salisbury hoped by their defence of the Government's foreign policy or rather want of policy to suppress the under-current of dissatisfaction that has for some time past prevailed in the ranks of their own supporters they must be sorely disappointed. So far from restoring confidence the recent ministerial speeches appear to have increased the distrust entertained regarding Lord Salisbury's action particularly with reference to affairs in the Far East. Mr. Bartley, the Conservative member for North Islington, who was shut out of the debate of last Friday, has taken other means to proclaim to the world his uneasiness at the result of Lord Salisbury's "graceful concessions all round." He asks one simple question. Suppose the lately published Blue book on the China question had been issued by a Radical Government and the Conservatives had been in opposition. "What," he candidly says, "should we have said in the House of Commons, and on hundreds of platforms all over the country, of the British Ships leaving Port Arthur as described in the despatches, and of a Foreign Secretary officially announcing that our policy in the Far East, on which so much of our trade, commerce, and prosperity depends, was still, on March 31 last, based on the assurances of Russia? "A Tory M. P." writing in the same strain does not hesitate to charge the apologists of the Government with special pleading. We all know that in the opinion of every member of the Conservative party England reached the low water mark so far as Imperial politics are concerned between the years 1880 and 1885. As "A Tory M. P." points out the Foreign policy of Mr. Gladstone's Second Administration was bitterly attacked by the Tory party of that day, but if we were to judge by the probable results that much abused Ministry "committed no worse blunders and did not more gravely compromise the interests of this country abroad than the Government of Lord Salisbury has done." This indignant correspondent warns the Government that if it continues to pursue the same path "private disaffection will give way to public protest and revolt," and declares it to be a real danger "that foreign nations have now got it firmly fixed in their heads that as long as Lord Salisbury is in office they have only to ask with enough of menace and assertiveness and they are sure to receive." Not more than a few weeks ago we were assured by a Ministerial speaker that the members of for his knowledge of Scottish Municipal business ; Sir David Barbour, the right man in the right place ; Mr. Everard Hambro, a director of the Bank of England ; Mr. W. H. Holland, erroneously styled in the letter of the Secretary of State "president of the Manchester Chamber of Commerce"—he has ceased to occupy that position ;— Mr. Robert Campbell, general manager of the National Bank of India ; and Sir Alfred Dent, K. C. M. G. On what ground the last named has been selected I cannot say. He is a partner in a house at Shanghai, but some of the papers here assume that he was chosen chiefly for his connection with Ceylon, which, of course, is interested in the question. Apparently Lord George Hamilton alluded to Sir A. Dent when in replying to a question in the House last night said :— "One of the members of the committee is, I believe, interested in the Indian and Ceylon tea trade. Sir A. Dent's connection with Ceylon is I am given to understand that of joint trustee for the debenture holders of a Ceylon tea company. The "Times" does not think that it would be possible to entrust his important inquiry to a more authoritative and impartial body ; but that is not the universal opinion. In Manchester I hear the composition is strongly criticised especially in bimetallic circles. The criticism of the "Manchester Guardian," however, is rather mild—not an ideal committee, but for practical purposes, fairly satisfactory. The "Financial News," which I suppose may be taken to represent the views of bimetallists or the bulk of them, is much dissatisfied with the Committee. The Secretary for India promised that the inquiry should be "impartial" ; that the Committee would not be composed mainly of officials," that the non-official element should be represented by "gentlemen of experience in connection with India, whose names would carry weight," and that these ought certainly to be more in number than the officials." The Committee consists of eleven members, six including the chairman, Sir Henry Fowler, formerly Secretary for India, belonging to the official class. Of the remaining five Mr. Robert Campbell and Sir John Muir are admitted by the financial paper to fulfil the specified conditions, but contends that this cannot be claimed for others. Instead of Mr. Hambro the "Financial News" would like to have seen Mr. Lidderdale in the Committee ; Mr. T. N. Christie (of Ceylon) in place of Sir A. Dent ; Sir Frank Forbes Adam or some other prominent Manchester man connected with Indian trade in lieu of Mr. Holland. Then it also complains of the omission of Sir Henry Houldsworth, Mr. Stephen Ralli, and Mr. William Keswich. The article concludes :—" Had Lord George Hamilton been as fair in his appointments as in the terms of reference which are contained in his letter to Sir Henry Fowler, there would have been a better promise of a final and satisfactory settlement of India's monetary difficulties."

COMBATANT RANK FOR ARMY DOCTORS.

The War Office concessions to the army doctors as appropriately announced by the Marquis of Lansdowne at the dinner given to the medical profession by the

STRANDING OF THE S.S. BRAHMINI.

DECISION OF THE MARINE COURT.

The Marine Court of Inquiry appointed by Government to conduct an inquiry into the circumstances touching the stranding of the s. s. Brahmini, belonging to Messrs. Shepherd and Co., at St. George's Island, on the morning of the 27th April last, on her voyage from Karwar to Marmagoa, gave its decision, yesterday, at the Esplanade Police Court. Mr. Nicholson, Government Solicitor, appeared on behalf of the Government, the company being represented by Mr. Smetham, solicitor.

Having commented upon the evidence adduced in the case at great length, Mr. Slabey said : Upon consideration of the whole of the evidence the court decided to frame charges against the chief officer for neglect of duty in not calling the captain when the weather became thick, and also for wrongful proceeding at full speed when the weather changed. It was clearly his duty to have called the captain when he could no longer make out either the land or objects ahead. He states that the state of affairs did not supervene until ten or twelve minutes before 3-30 a.m. The rest of the people on the deck, however, state that after about 3 a.m. they could see nothing. If the chief officer's statement were correct, it seems impossible to have avoided seeing St. George's Island before the ship was in its opposing, as we must do, that a careful lookout was maintained, as it is high land, and at 3-15 could not have been more than from one and a-half to two miles distant. It seems, therefore, that the evidence of all the other witnesses on deck is unreliable on this point, and that the mist came on at about 3 o'clock, or that the chief officer allowed about half-an-hour to elapse under these changed conditions, and when running into narrow waters without informing the captain of the change, and in doing so the court is of opinion that he was guilty of wrongful default, which contributed to the occurrence of the casualty. But in addition to this neglect he also more directly brought about the danger of the ship by continuing to keep on at full speed when the night was so dark and misty that he could see nothing in any direction. Knowing that he was approaching a dangerous locality, it was clearly his duty to have at least slackened the speed of the ship until he had an opportunity of verifying his position by some means. He, however, did nothing, for it does not appear that he actually, as he says in his statement after the charges had been read to him, did increase the speed of the ship), but went on blindly at full speed until almost immediately before the ship struck. He gives no reason at all why he stopped and reversed the engines, and, as stated, only called the captain just at the moment before the casualty took place, but it appears probable to the court that he just then saw the rocks ahead, which the captain made out after he came on the bridge. If that was the case had he been proceeding at a prudent rate of speed the accident might have been altogether averted and the ship withdrawn from her position of danger. In answer to the charges, the chief officer admitted his culpability in respect of both of them, and the court holds that by wrongful act and default in respect of these matters the chief officer caused material damage to the s. s. Brahmini. The court is of opinion that such neglect on the part of the chief officer in

THE SPANISH-AMERICAN WAR.

AMERICAN VICTORY IN THE PHILIPPINES

The first great result of the war is that the Philippines are at the mercy, if not already actually in possession of, the United States. Admiral Dewey, with the United States squadron, consisting of four cruisers and two gunboats, arrived in sight off Port Subic at four o'clock on Saturday afternoon (April 30), and after making a reconnaissance he at once steamed in the direction of Manila. At half-past eleven at night the batteries at the entrance to Manila harbour fired signals announcing his approach. Taking advantage of the darkness, the American admiral, with daring promptness, forced a passage, and at five o'clock on Sunday morning he took up a position from which he opened fire on Fort Cavite and the arsenal. A general engagement ensued with the Spanish forts and fleet combined, but by a series of brilliant manœuvres, which are described in the telegrams as two successive engagements, the Americans succeeded in putting the Spanish fleet hors de combat. The Spanish flagship and the Castilla were burned, the cruiser Don Juan de Austria was blown up, the Mindanao and Ulloa were disabled, and some of the other ships had to be sunk to prevent them falling into the hands of the enemy. The despatches from both Madrid and New York indicate that in order to bring about the submission of the Spanish authorities, Admiral Dewey has to resort to Monday to a bombardment. As a result the outlying town of Cavite was completely razed to the ground, and the unfortified portion of Manila was set in flames. This statement is contained in telegrams communicated to the Queen-Regent by Senor Sagasta. From other sources we learn what led up to this course being taken by the American Admiral. After the complete annihilation of the Spanish fleet he sent a message to the Spanish governor through the British Consul demanding the surrender of all torpedoes, guns, and stores, and possession of the cable offices, adding that unless these terms were complied with, he should then, on board the city. The Spanish governor refused to surrender or to allow Admiral Dewey to communicate with the telegraph agent. It is asserted that the bombardment began immediately, and the Spaniards cut the cable to prevent its falling in the hands of the victors. The Eastern Extension Company announced on Monday night that their Hong Kong Manila cable "is now interrupted, thus cutting off the Philippines from telegraphic communication with the rest of the world."

It appears that Admiral Montojo sailed from Manila to meet the American ships at Subic, but finding that the fortifications there had not been completed, and receiving a recall order from General Augusti, he returned within the protection of the Cavite and Manila batteries. The American squadron's entrance into the bay was a surprise. The bay was apparently unprotected by torpedoes, mines, or other defensive works, and nothing prevented the ships from entering. The forts of Corregidor Island seem only to have signalled the approach of the squadron after the enemy had passed. The latter found therefore a clear waterway, and it is doubtful whether they were even seen till they had sailed past the batteries, as there were no searchlights.

The "Times" correspondent says :—The American squadron moved up the bay, and at 3 o'clock in the

ever, is but a confirmation of Senor Silvela's views that a war to the knife is unnecessary.

THE QUEEN REGENT INTERVIEWED.

The "Morning Post" reports an interview which its correspondent has been granted by the Queen Regent of Spain:

It is not necessary (says the correspondent in the course of his article) to say that this Royal conversation turned entirely on the war, and that at first it was I, the interviewer, who was interviewed by Her Majesty, to whom I frankly related the impressions I had brought from abroad. After listening and occasionally inclining her head sadly, the Queen said:—"Yes, we have almost all Europe with us, and in the painful moments we are now passing through it is a great consolation and at the same time, an encouragement. Not that we shall ever ask anything whatever from the Powers whilst are expressing their sympathies with us, but from the point of view of strict right the attitude touches us profoundly. . . . Everybody is ready to do his duty, to fight like a hero on land and sea. The Spaniards are fighting for their country. The Americans are fighting each for himself."

"That is why, proud of Europe's encouragement, we have firm hope in the future.

"God knows that we did not desire war, and did everything to avoid it. I can say that every kind of humiliation was heaped on us by the United States. But everything is as an end. The United States Government said to itself: 'We can demand everything we choose from Spain, and after some recriminations we will always obtain satisfaction, because Spain is poor, and she will never dare to face war.'

"Reasoning thus, it pushed us till we could go on further, and finally the rupture took place to the great astonishment of the Americans themselves, who had fallen into their own snare. They were so sure of holding us in their power through what they consider our great poverty, that they were not ready to go to war. They are not ready now."

"That say, your Majesty, that the real reason of the American Minister's departure was not the one announced, that is, the Spanish Government's refusal to receive the Ultimatum."

"The reason given was nevertheless almost the correct one," was the Queen's reply. "But previously the United States Minister had delivered this verbal Ultimatum:—'Either Cuba must be pacified within forty-eight hours or else a rupture of Diplomatic relations, that is, War, will ensue.' In these circumstances the reception of the Ultimatum had become unnecessary."

"The American Government," continued the Queen "gave way before the pressure of public opinion. That is the explanation of an otherwise inexplicable situation, because we had agreed to everything which we could. They knew that on the day the Spanish Government granted autonomy to Cuba it was practically abandoning its right over the island. But now it is too late to argue. The time has come for acts, now words. Let us have confidence in God, confidence in the future! Who can say that Europe will not intervene after the first serious battle?"

This (adds the correspondent) was said in clear, courageous tones, which could not fail to impress any listener.

THE WESTERN FLEETS—CUBA AND PUERTO RICO.

Apparently the Spanish squadron that lingered so long at Cape Verde has gone back to Cadiz, to be joined by the one battleship of Spain, the Pelayo, and the three powerful cruisers which have been getting ready for sea since war became inevitable. The ships of Admiral Sampson's Squadron, which returned to Key West on May 2 from blockading Havana, sailed again on May 4 under sealed orders. Large quantities of coal were taken on board, and eighteen colliers have been filled for the use of the fleet. It is rumoured that Admiral Sampson's ships with the Flying Squadron is contemplated with the object of destroying the Spanish fleet in the Atlantic.

A sort of blockading warfare seems to have been in progress on the coast of Cuba, since the "bombardment" of Matanzas which the Spanish reports stated "killed one mule."

A report which has been made public of an attack on the British Consul at Santiago de Cuba and of his imprisonment after he had killed a Spaniard in self-defence is stated to be "less serious than at first reported."

Anarchy is reported to prevail in Puerto Rico.

HAWAII AND THE UNITED STATES.

Advices received at San Francisco from Honolulu dated April 27, state that President Dole had offered to transfer the Hawaiian Islands to the United States, to serve as a coaling station and store depot.

BRITISH INTERESTS—THE NEUTRALITY PROCLAMATION.

H. M. S. Linnet and Immortalite have been despatched to Manila to watch British interests in the Philippines. Out of consideration for Lord Salisbury it is stated that the Finances Committee of the Senate has practically decided to eliminate the tonnage cause from the War Revenue Bill. Sir Sherston Baker, editor of Hallock's "International Law," stated, in an address to the London Chamber of Commerce, on May 4, that the latter part of our Neutrality Proclamation was null and void, as certain provisions of a previous Act were not cited. He justified the seizure of the Buenaventura, and declared that the question of coal as contraband of war depended very much on its destination.

Sir Henry Drummond Wolff has returned to Madrid

LORD LANSDOWNE AND THE A.M.S.

The Lord Mayor on May 4 entertained at a banquet at the Mansion House a distinguished gathering representative of the medical profession. The guests included Sir Samuel Wilks, Sir William Macewen, Lord Lansdowne, Sir W. Turner, Lord Lister, Professor Chiene, Professor Allbutt, Sir G. Duffey, Professor Sanderson, Sir H. F. Norbury, Dr. Little, Surgeon-General Jamison, and Surgeon-General Hooper.

Lord Russell of Killowen proposed the toast of "The Navy, Army, and Reserve Forces" coupling with it the name of Sir Henry Norbury (Director-General of the Medical Department of the Navy) and the Marquis of Lansdowne (Secretary of State for War—Sir Henry Norbury briefly responded to the toast on behalf of the Navy.

Lord Lansdowne, in responding for the Army, said: In this country we are notoriously apt to disparage our own institutions and to dwell more upon their faults than upon their merits, and I think it is true that this tendancy is frequently exhibited when we discuss the British Army. In recent performances show, at any rate, that whatever its imperfections it possesses soldiers who are able to uphold its great traditions under the most tryiag circumstance. While we have in the British Army such leaders as Sir William Lockhart and Sir Herbert Kitchener we need never despair. The Egyptian campaign has apparently brought to light one weak point which we cannot afford to ignore. I refer to the boots with which we supplied our soldiers. I trust that we shall be able to invent a boot which even General Gaisore and the desert sand will not be able to wear out for us. There is no department in the public service which owes more to, and depends more upon, the members of your profession than the Army. In time of peace it is your business to watch over the health of our troops and to come at the diseases which they have to encounter in the various and often very trying climates which prevail in different parts of our ever increasing Empire. In time of war you do something of the barbarity of our methods and to mitigate the nameless sufferings which follow in the wake of great battles. With every year that passes the engines of destruction are brought to a greater pitch of perfection. The wounds which could now be inflicted in a few seconds are more numerous and more serious than could have been inflicted in the same number of hours not many years ago. Your skill and devotion are the correctives of our modern ruthlessness, and I think most of us will say that, if we had to choose between the credit belonging to the artillerist who has, let us say, invented a new form of Dum-Dum bullet and the credit belonging to the surgeon who has contrived the means of extracting it painlessly and saving the shattered limbs, we should not hesitate in deciding whose part we should prefer. (Cheers.) I am using no idle phrase when I say that the army is proud that it contains a number of officers who belong to the medical profession, but who are none the less soldiers in the fullest sense of the word—(loud cheers)—wearing the Queen's uniform, holding her commission, ready to take their share, aye more than their share, of the hardship and hardship of warfare. (Cheers.) We are determined that there shall be no failure, either in theory or in practice, to treat them with the respect to which they are entitled. (Cheers.) I insist upon this point, because I have observed with very keen regret that there has existed for some time past a certain estrangement between the Army and the profession. This want of confidence has had for its result that we have been unable to attract to the Service, the number of candidates, and I am afraid I must add the class of candidates, whom we should like to see serving in the Medical Staff. I will not attempt to diagnose the case. Some of the symptoms are puzzling and obscure. It is possible that in this case mistakes have been made on both sides. We on our side are determined that you shall have no cause of complaint of us. (Cheers.) We have already shown by our action in dealing with several points to which you have called our attention that we were prepared to redress any injustice where you were able to satisfy us that injustice had been done. We are now about to deal, and to deal thoroughly, with a question in regard to which not only the Medical Staff of the Army, but the medical profession generally, feels most strongly—I mean the rank and status of the Army Medical Staff. I sometimes hear it said, "What does rank matter? Is not the title of 'Doctor' or 'Surgeon' by itself to be regarded as a title which honourable anyone should be proud to wear without further adjuncts?" I think the answer to that is that in the Army rank is the outward and visible sign of consideration and authority, and that although "a man may be a man for all that," it is necessary, if he adopts the military profession, that he should have a proper military stamp to distinguish him and to secure him his proper place amongst his comrades. (Cheers.) We have attempted several times to deal with this question of rank as it affects the Army doctors, and we have not been particularly successful; we have invented ingenious compromises which satisfied nobody, and titles some of which would for cumbrousness and cacophony be hard to beat. We propose to make a fresh start and to form —out of the Army Medical Staff and the Medical Staff Corps—a corps the officer of which will bear the same military titles as other officers of the Army—(cheers)—always, of course, upon the understanding that those titles do not confer upon them any right of command outside it. We propose to give them these titles up to the rank of Colonel. I have been pressed not to stop there, but to go on to rank of General Officer—(cheers)—but I have two reasons which seem to me conclusive against doing this. Our present policy is to restrict as closely as we can the number of officers bearing the title of "General," and to insist that no one shall rise to that rank unless he is require to fill one of a limited number of appointments, all of which involve general command in the Army, and fitness, on occasion arising, to command troops in the field. No departmental officers will under this system be able to reach the rank of General Officer, and it will be impossible for us to confer it upon members of the Medical Staff. Above the rank of Colonel we propose to retain that of Surgeon-General, with the rank and precedence of a General Officer in the Army. (Loud cheers.) I have one thing to add. Her Majesty—upon whose good will towards your profession I need not dwell—has been pleased to signify her intention of bestowing upon the newly-formed corps, the title of the Royal Army Medical Corps, a title which I am sure it will wear worthily. (Loud and prolonged cheers.) I trust that the members of the profession will recognise the sincerity with which we have endeavoured to meet them, and that they on their side will help us to the utmost of their ability, to secure the services of the best of their students. (Cheers.) I am sure they desire as keenly as we do that wherever the British Army shall be found, whether in peace or war, there shall be found service on its Medical Staff men who, from their ability and character, and from their standing in their profession, shall be in every sense worthy representatives of a great and noble profession.

INDIA IN PARLIAMENT.

THE NORTH-WEST FRONTIER.

In the House of Commons on May 2 replying to Sir C. Dilke, Lord G. Hamilton said the Malakand force has been temporarily increased by one British and two native infantry battalions, two squadrons of native cavalry, and a company of native sappers. There are no troops on the Panjkora. At the Khaibar and neighbourhood there are, according to the latest returns, six British and seven native infantry battalions, three British mountain batteries, three companies native sappers, and two squadrons native cavalry. Prior to the recent campaigns there were only small detachments at Jamrud, and the Khaibar Rifles in the Khaibar Pass. At Kuram, and in the neighbourhood the increase consists of half a squadron native cavalry. The distribution of the troops on the frontier has not yet been finally settled, and I cannot, therefore, state what further changes may be made. There are no British or Kashmir troops between the Panjkora and Chitral, in the garrison of which place no change has been made.

ARMY OFFICERS' PENSIONS.

Mr. Butcher asked the Secretary of State for India whether his attention had been called to the case of Captain Judge, late of the 2nd Gurkhas, who left England to join his regiment in September, 1897, and was killed in action in the battle of Dargai; whether if Captain Judge had lived, he would have completed his twenty years' service in January, 1898, and have been entitled to retire on a pension of £200 a year; whether Captain Judge left a widow and three children; whether it was customary, in the case of an officer killed in action, for his widow to receive a Queen's pension of £100 a year, and a gratuity equal to one year's pay of her husband, and for each child to receive a compassionate allowance and a gratuity equal to one-third of a year's pay; whether the authorities had refused to grant the widow and children of Captain Judge any pension, allowance, or gratuity whatever; whether the authorities had also refused to refund the amount expended by Captain Judge for his passage money from England to India to join his regiment; and whether the Government would consider the case, and make such allowances and grants as would meet the requirements of the case.—Lord G. Hamilton: The facts are stated in the first part of my hon. friend's question. Captain Judge rejoined his regiment from leave at his own expense, and, not having been recalled by the Government of India, was not entitled to refund of passage money. Mr. Judge receives, as my hon. friend is no doubt aware, a pension under the Service Family Pension Regulations. With regard to the additional pension and gratuities mentioned in my hon. friend's question, the Royal Warrant lays down certain rules to the pecuniary position of those who can receive them, and the private circumstances of Captain Judge's family, independently of the Service Family pension, are such as to render them ineligible under those rules.—Replying to a further question, Lord G. Hamilton said that the regulations had been in force for a long time, and he very much doubted whether the authorities would be disposed to relax them. As to the repayment of passage money he admitted that the existing regulations were not satisfactory, and he had caused a despatch to be addressed to the Indian Government on the subject.—Mr. T. M. Healy asked if British officers were to understand that the British Treasury was responsible for the regulations.—Lord G. Hamilton said that the regulations had been in force for years, and they were based on the principle that people who were tolerably well to do did not get as much as those who were not.

THE EXPENDITURE OF INDIA.

Mr. Cohen asked the Secretary of State for India whether he could state when the report of the Royal Commission on the administration of the expenditure of India would be presented; and, also, when the proposals of the Government in respect to the Indian currency, which were laid on the table on Friday, would be distributed to members.—Lord G. Hamilton: As to the first question, I am informed by the chairman that he hopes within a short time to lay his draft report before his colleagues. In respect to the second question, I hope the papers will be distributed on Saturday, but I am told they will be in the Vote Office to-night.—Sir H. Fowler inquired whether the noble lord would ask for a definition of "short time," as there had been so many short times during this Session.—Lord G. Hamilton remarked that he had no control over the chairman of the Commission, who was quite independent of the India Office.

MADRAS LAND REVENUE.

On May 3, in answer to Mr. S. Smith, Lord G. Hamilton said: The number of defaulters whose personal property was sold for non-payment of land revenue in Madras during the seven years 1897-94 was on the average of those years, 7867 in each year, out of a total number of more than 3,000,000 holdings under Government, besides a very large number under zemindars. The reports do not specify whether these defaulters were in addition to the defaulters whose land was sold. The Madras revenue returns for 1894-95 and 1895-96 have been received, and they give the number of defaulters whose land property sold and personal property was sold for arrears of land revenue. If the term "land" and "real property" are assumed for this purpose to be convertible, then the figures are:—In seven years, 1887-94, number whose land was sold, 56,048; in two years, 1894-95, 14,411. Defaulters whose personal property was sold in the seven years, 55,772; in the two years, 6717. During the nine years to which the foregoing figures relate the proportion of defaulters' lands brought in by Government was between 44 and 45 percent, and the proportion bought in by other persons was between 55 and 56. Copies of the Madras land revenue reports for the years 1894-95 and 1895-96 can be furnished to the hon. member if he wishes for them. I do not propose to lay them on the table.

THE PLAGUE AT CALCUTTA.

In answer to Sir J. Leng, Lord G. Hamilton said: My latest information regarding the plague at Calcutta is dated May 1 and 2. The existence of local plague cases has, I regret to say, been placed beyond doubt; and instructions have been given for carrying out the preventive precautions prescribed by the Venice Convention; twenty-three cases of plague and seven deaths occurred during the last four days of April. I am confident that the Government, in combating the plague at Calcutta, will give due weight to the religious sentiments of the people, and will make every endeavour to obtain their co-operation.

THE RIOTS AT BOMBAY.

Sir M. Bhownaggree asked the Secretary of State for India whether the expected despatch from the Government of Bombay on the riots which took place in that city in the beginning of March had been received; whether, if such a despatch was received he would state the particulars contained in it, especially as regards the origin of the riots; and whether he would place the despatch upon the table of the House.—Lord G. Hamilton: (1) The despatch to which my hon. friend refers has been received. (2) The Bombay Government are of opinion that the riots were not the result of political agitation nor deliberately planned, but were merely a sudden ebullition of disorder among an uneducated and fanatical section of the community. They add that the leading representatives of all classes have exerted themselves to allay excitement. (3) The despatch and its enclosures will be included in the next set of plague papers laid upon the table.

IRISH LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILL.

Further progress was made in Committee on this measure.

Wednesday, May 4.—Progress was made in Committee with the Irish Local Government Bill, Clause 12 being under discussion when the House rose.

ENTERIC FEVER AMONG BRITISH TROOPS IN INDIA.

On May 5 in answer to General Russel, Lord G. Hamilton said: No definite conclusion has been arrived at as to the cause of the increase in enteric fever among British troops in India, and the investigations on this subject are still proceeding, selected medical officers having been specially detailed for this duty. Generally the measures taken to check the spread of the disease are the improvement of the water supply, the provision of pure milk and butter, and improved sanitation of camps, cantonments, and barracks. Concerning Dharamsala, where there had been serious outbreaks of enteric fever, had been completely evacuated for a year, pending the installation of an improved water supply and the disinfection of the barracks and their vicinity.

THE POONA POLICE.

In reply to Sir W. Wedderburn, Lord G. Hamilton said: The decision to impose for two years a punitive police, costing about RX. 11,500 per annum, upon the city of Poona was arrived at by the Bombay Government, and I have no reason to object to it; and their action was approved by me in council. I am not in possession of any information as to the various opinions of such subordinate officers as may have been consulted, and I should not be disposed to lay on the table of the House any correspondence which may have taken place between the Government of Bombay and its subordinates on this subject.

THE INDIAN CURRENCY COMMITTEE.

In reply to Mr. Lough, Lord G. Hamilton said: The despatch from the Government of India, which is the principal subject of reference to the Indian Currency Committee, deals with the measures necessary for securing "the stability of exchange" which necessitate an inquiry into their effects on the export trade. The reference to the internal trade was inserted to show that in the opinion of the Government the effect on that trade would also form an important feature of the inquiry of the committee. One of the members of the committee is, I believe, interested in the Indian and Ceylon tea trade. The committee is now finally constituted, and is making arrangements to begin its deliberations forthwith under the letter of reference which cannot now be modified. I do not propose to take any measures with the view of bringing the matter before the House in its present stage.

PRECAUTIONS AGAINST PLAGUE AT CALCUTTA.

Mr. Herbert Roberts asked the Secretary of State for India whether his attention had been drawn to the speech of the Lieutenant-Governor at the Legislative Council at Calcutta on the 30th ultimo in reference to the regulations which would be adopted in that city by the Government in view of the outbreak of the plague; whether the Lieutenant-Government was correctly reported to have given an assurance that no compulsory quarantine would be imposed as at Bombay, that in no case would wife and husband be separated, and that every respect would be paid to the Purdah system; and whether he could give any information as to the extent to which the inoculation treatment against plague by Professor Haffkine's method had been adopted at Calcutta.—Lord G. Hamilton: I have seen the newspaper account of the Lieutenant-Governor's speech to which the hon. member's question refers. I have ascertained from the Viceroy that assurance has been given by the Bengal Government that whole sale quarantine against plague will not be enforced, but that arrangements will be made for inspecting travellers from infected localities, for segregating persons suspected of plague, and for treating plague-stricken travellers. Members of families will not be separated when sent to segregation camps, and the Purdah system will be respected. Private plague hospitals and segregation camps are permitted. Inoculation is not forced on any one, but arrangements are made for inoculating under Professor Haffkine's system persons who desire to be thus protected, and special accommodations have been made to encourage this form of inoculation.

THE DEATH OF DR. SIRCAR.

Sir W. Wedderburn asked the Secretary of State for India whether he had received confirmation of the reported murder of Dr. Sircar, honorary magistrate and municipal commissioner of Barackpur; and, if so whether he would state the circumstances under which his death took place.—Lord G. Hamilton: I have seen a statement in the newspapers in regard to this matter, but I have received no information from India on the subject.

THE INCREASED PAY TO BRITISH TROOPS IN INDIA.

In answer to Mr. Provand, Lord G. Hamilton said: The net permanent charge for the increased pay to British troops in India—that is, after allowing for the abolition of deferred pay—is estimated at 27 lakhs of rupees annually. For the current year the extra charge is now estimated at 15 lakhs, and this amount will be diminished annually as the abolition of deferred pay has effect till it is reduced, about five years hence, to the above permanent charge of 27 lakhs. As I have already stated in reply to a question in this House on March 3 last, the charge will be borne by Indian revenues.

LORD SALISBURY AND HIS CRITICS.

IMPRESSIVE REVIEW OF IMPERIAL PROGRESS.

As Grand Master of the Order, Lord Salisbury on May 4 presided over the proceedings of Grand Habitation of the Primrose League at the Albert Hall. He devoted his speech to a review of Imperial progress since the establishment of the league in 1884, and attributed the change in public opinion largely to the influence of the League. In a brief reference to the war, he expressed the hope that the experiences of war, and the recollections of the blessings of peace, would, before long, bring the minds of both the Americans and Spaniards sentiments which should restore tranquillity to the world.

EGYPT AND THE SUDAN: A SPLENDID CONTRAST.

Since the year 1884—the year of that fearful struggle which ended in the capture of Khartoum by the Mahdi, the year in which our troops had to retire from Egypt and our great hero was cut off in the time of our opponents—the feelings of the people have been steadily roused to the task which they had to perform. That task (continued Lord Salisbury) has been undertaken by English officers of surpassing courage, tenacity, and skill—(cheers)—and the result is the splendid victory by which the army of our savage and barbarous opponent has been destroyed almost at the doors of his capital. (Cheers.) Probably there is much still to look for. The work is not done yet, and it will be performed by no laggard hands. But, even as it stands, what a splendid contrast does it afford to the position of 1884, what encouragement does it give to those who preached the doctrines and disseminated the sentiments which have received their finest and most splendid accomplishment in the victories which we have just welcomed! (Cheers.) Let me go a little further east. Burma in that time has been added to the British dominions, and here I speak of it with special pleasure, because it was done when Lord Randolph Churchill — (cheers) — whose name is so closely associated both with the foundation and glories of this league — was Secretary of State, and it was under him and the Marquis of Dufferin that that very brilliant achievement was completed. (Cheers.) Look at Africa, again. I cannot go through the amount of territory which in that period has been added to the British Empire. I will only mention two names—the name of Mr. Cecil Rhodes —(loud cheers) —and the name of Sir Gerald Portal. (Cheers.) I do not claim them, naturally, as instruments or as representatives of the league, but I do claim that they were animated by the spirit by which the league was founded and which the league has done so much to popularise and to strengthen in this country.

VAST TERRITORIES RECLAIMED TO CIVILISATION,

And when you think of the vast territories which they have reclaimed to civilisation, when you think of the terrible evils which not only they, but others, have exterminated, such as Arab slave-hunting, which probably produced more human misery than any other human atrocity have done before, or those fetish orgies in Western Africa, in Ashanti and in Benin, to which the sacrifice of human life was only a matter of ordinary occurrence, when you think of those things you will recognise that the work of the league has not only been patriotic and Imperial but that it has been in the highest sense a supreme blessing to the dearest interests of mankind. (Cheers.) I have mentioned these men because it was anxious to forstall and dissipate the idea that I am claiming the great successes of the last fifteen years for any party or any set of domestic politicians. I do not think these great things have been the main work of those who stay at home—they have been done at the cost of great hardship and risk by the magnificent servants who work under the Crown—(hear, hear)—but they had been inspired by the spirit of which this league is the great example, and if the league had not dominated in this country their activity would never have had room to take place. I believe that in the future the time in which we stand will be looked back to as a period of great heroes—a period in which the Crown has been splendidly served by those who have been employed under it both in civil and military capacities in all parts of the world. (Cheers.) If I may select, I should say that we may be proud to have lived in the age which produced such soldiers as Sir Herbert Kitchener—(cheers)—and Sir William Lockhart—(cheers)—and has produced such administrators and diplomatists as Lord Cromer and Sir Claude MacDonald. (Cheers.)

"THE FAR EAST: A "DIPLOMATIC CRACKER."

I cannot mention Sir Claude MacDonald without referring for a matter of foreign interest which has a good deal occupied attention during the last two or three months—perhaps an attention in excess of the notice that it deserved. But the Chinese question has been a sort of diplomatic cracker that has produced a great many detonations—(laughter)—and I think the smoke of it has now floated into the distance. Yet I would say one or two words respecting it, and what I would ask you to do with regard to it is to do what we have done with regard to other questions that I have mentioned—namely, to judge by results. (Cheers.) It is only by judging by results that you will arrive at a just and confidence judgment, and there are two disabilities under which public opinion labours when it attempts to judge, not by results, but by individual circumstances during the procedure which has led to those results. I have noticed a debate that took place the other night in Parliament. I looked with some anxiety to see what would be the kind of complaint made by responsible and not anonymous critics—(a laugh)—and I found that one of the chief subjects of complaint was that—to use a colloquial phrase—I had not given a piece of my mind to the Chinese Government, by which I understand things to which entire confidence was not to be given or which were falsified by the event. (Laughter.) I think the persons who made that complaint had their own judgment warped by the peculiar forms of parliamentary debate. It is the practice in Parliament that persons of distinction sitting on one bench should try and score off the persons sitting on the other bench to the utmost extent they can, and every palpable hit they can give is another leaf to the wreath of their crown—(laughter)—and they naturally expect, I suppose, that what they do with Ministers in the House of Commons we should do with Ministers another kind when we meet them in diplomatic debate.

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Now, there would be a great inconvenience in that process. If a Minister should come forward and say something which they had strong grounds for believing to be inaccurate, or make some promises which they had a very strong conviction would never be fulfilled, or make some claim to rights which they did not possess—if a Minister of the House of Commons did that I have no doubt his opponents on the opposite bench would fall foul of him in language in its vigour and point little short of impeachment. (Laughter.) But you cannot do that in diplomacy. It is not the practice of any diplomacy in the world, and I think that with considerable wisdom diplomatists have retained the old Conservative principles which govern private life. In private life our controversies are nothing like so vigorous as they are in a deliberate assembly. Not only do we abstain from that intensity of verbal warfare which I have sketched, but we abstain also from those other very vigorous modes of expressing opinion to which, in various parts of the world, deliberate assemblies have recently been giving themselves. (Laughter and "Hear, hear.") But in private life, if any person with whom you have a controversy makes a statement to which circumstances induce you not to attach an absolute faith, or gives a promise which you can forse will not fulfil all its expectations, you do not tax him with insincerity on the spot. You are willing to give him the benefit of taking your own precautions—(hear, hear)—and the result is that the friction is reduced to a minimum. My belief is that the kind of controversy that would arise if diplomatic representatives were in the habit of giving each other pieces of their mind would not be to the advantage of the interests of the country they represented and would not conduce to the peace and tranquility of the world. (Cheers.) We have to deal, in the dealings that we maintain—a statemen but of great and sensitive nations very susceptible to the language which is used with respect to them and their policy, and we feel bound to observe to the utmost in our communications all the rules of courtesy and self-restraint. Therefore I will make a plain statement of the facts which it is necessary should be understood. (Hear, hear.) Now, if you will apply these suggestions to the comments that have been made on the language which we have used upon occasions when it appeared that unfounded claims have been made or unfounded promises have been given, you will see at once it was not from any simple-minded belief in that which ought not to have been believed, but from a conviction that the course we held and the language which we used were the best fitted to maintain the interests of the peace and the honour of our own country. (Cheers.) Then there is another reason why you should judge by results, and that is because you have the only means of which you have a complete and clear knowledge. We are not at liberty to tell the motives upon which we proceeded or the motives we suspected or perceived in others. Those motives are often complex, and we are obliged to observe silence, and, if I may appeal again to the practice of private life, I think you will see that any two solicitors met to settle a difficult dispute or arrange some long-standing controversy would not advance the ends they had in view if they published in the newspapers a candid statement of the opinion they entertained of all that was done by their opponents. (Laughter and "Hear, hear.")

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THE "LONDON GAZETTE."

THE ARMY.

WAR OFFICE, PALL MALL, MAY 3.

3rd Hussars—Sec Lieut E W Cushen resigns his commission. Gent. Cadet P V Kelly, from the K M College, to be Second Lieut, vice E W Cushen

5th Lancers—Capt H W G Graham, D S O, is seconded for service on the Staff

8th Hussars—Lieut R S V Dyas resigns his commission

19th Hussars—Major P F Durham retires on retired pay. Capt the Hon J H G Byng to be Major, vice P F Durham

13th Hussars—Cornet Class E F Twist, from the R M College, to be Second Lieut, in succession to Lieut A F Anderson, resigned.

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Royal Artillery—The undermentioned Majors retire on retired pay—W F Thring, P A MacMahon, W J Hicks, Capt C C Wiseman-Clarke, from the Second List, to be Major, vice W F Thring. The undermentioned officers are seconded—Capt J N Salmon, for service in the Army Ordnance Dept, Capt R P Molesworth, for service as an Asst of Militia Artillery, Lieut C N Hazard for service on the Staff. The undermentioned Lieut to be Capts, A R B Savage, on the Seconded List; A J Battine, on the Seconded List, H B Roberts, vice J N Salmon, H A Young, A J Fiele, T H Crozier, on the Seconded List; E H T Parsons, Adjt, Depot Field Artillery, F C Owen, J C Coley-Bromfield, A H Lee, E McM Seddon. F P Hutchinson, late Seconded List, C K Stewart, vice C E Rolt, deceased, R A C Wellesley vice R P Molesworth

Regimental Districts—Col A Maclean, 48th Regimental Dist the Northamptonshire Regt, is placed on retire pay

Royal Warwickshire Regt—Lieut W F Leader, from the Duke of Cambridge's Own Middlesex Regt to be Capt, vice T Diver, seconded from April 6, 1893, for service under the Foreign Office

North Lincolnshire Regt—Lt Col and Brevet Col C H Shepherd, D S O on completion of his period of service in command of a battalion, is placed on half-pay, Major J Lorne Govan to be Lieut-Col, vice Brevet Col C H Shepherd, D S O

Prince Albert's Somersetshire L I—Capt J M Vallentin is seconded for service on the Staff

Prince of Wales's Own West York Regt—Capt F W Towsey is seconded for service as Adjt of a provisional battalion. Capt H B S Critcelier Salmonson, from half pay, to be Capt, with precedence next below Capt H E Watts, vice F W Towsey

Lancashire Fusiliers—Lieut A R Lempriere to be Adjt, vice Major H T Fleming, who has vacated that appointment on promotion.

Cheshire Regt—Sec Lieut M Moore is seconded for service with the Army Service Corps

South Wales Borderers—Lieut R B Airey is seconded for service with the Army Service Corps

Royal Lancaster Regt—Capt A D Richards is seconded for service with the Army Service Corps

Hampshire Regt—The promotion to the rank of Captain of Lieut H J W Whitaker is antedated to Feb 19, 1898, vice N C Welch, seconded

Prince of Wale's Volunteers South Lancashire Regt—Sec Lieut G H Pedler is seconded for service with the Army Service Corps

Sherwood Foresters Derbyshire Regt—Lieut F Casswell to be Adjutant, vice Capt J A Reeks, whose period of service in that appointment has expired

Loyal North Lancashire Regt—Sec Lieut A S M Porter is seconded for service with the Army Service Corps

Princess Charlotte of Wales's Royal Berkshire Regt—The undermentioned Second Lieuts are seconded for service with the Army Service Corps (Signalling)—A H Sneddon, J C Hosse, to Isis, G A C Ward as First and G F O C Osborne N J D Rogers, J E Cameron, and C H McMullin to Lido J G de Courcy Parry, H G Mostyn to Alacrity, Hon Stanley L Willis to Champion E Charrington to Volage May 10

Sub Lieutenants—G W McO Campbell to Isis A G Gotto to Dido May 10 Arthur G Cowell to Vernon to Torpedo 1st Year months training, C H McC Woods a R N R to Hannibal E H Pentecost a, R N R, to Illustrious May 10, H C Alcock, to Redtreast N W E Prowse, to Victory, additional, for Hunter May 2

Midshipmen—P R G O Connor to Hawke, to go out in Illustrious May 10 P W Douglas, to Centurion, G L Browne to Grafton, E H Harrison to Harmione, A H T Tredell, to Renown, A St V Keys, to Talbot May 15, E G Robinson, to Majestic, G B Lewis, to Prince George June 1

Engineer Lieutenants—H Cadenhead, to Britannia, and H Hamilton Gordon, to Hermione, J D Burnett and L A Smythies, to Hamilton, K E Johnston, to Royal Sovereign, J D Campbell and F S Byrne, to Vernon, C H A Cartwright to Caesar, G M A Rowe, R T Amedros, P H Smith, and R T Down, to Illustrious, C R Fox and F W Goldsmith, to Hannibal, J D Campbell and H B Colt, to Fox, C F S Danby and M B Leslie, to Royal Arthur, A Thomas, A B Borghey, and A A Lovett Cameron, to Hannibal, C J S Bound, to Grafton, R H England and P D Campbell, to Barfleur, E D Faber and W M Hore, to Victorious W J Fletcher, to Bonaventure May 15 F N A Cromie and J Y Fyfe hall, to Repulse, J C Swift and G C Lawton, to Resolution, A H Lister, C C Swift J F Somerville, R T Sneyd, J P Champion, L E H Ryle, Magnificent E A B Stanley, H S W Boldero, A G N Lane, and H F Little to Marc C Robinson, A G Govett, to Prince George, R F Veasey and A W Benson, to Blenheim the Hon A G Coke and G S Ramsay,

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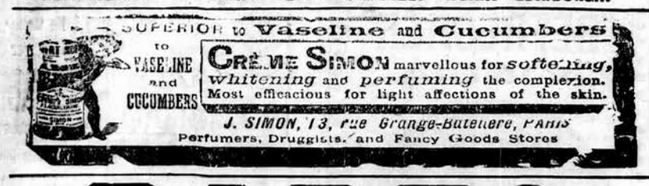
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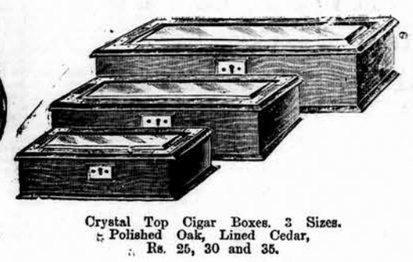

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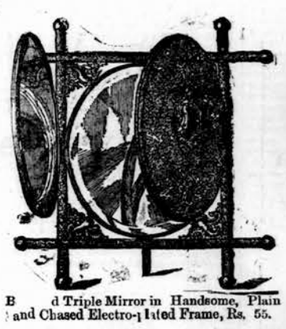

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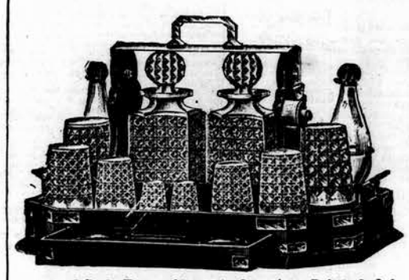

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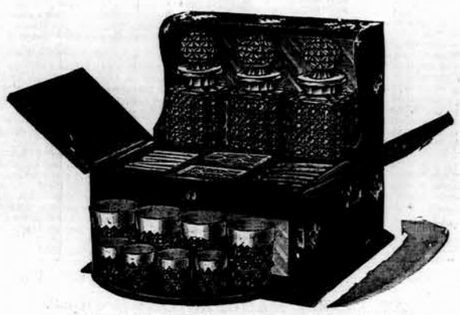

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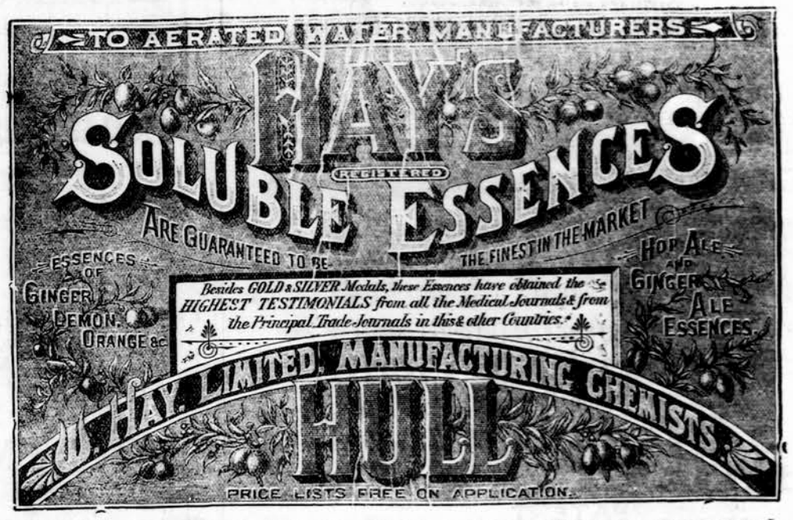
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